

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Donald O'Connor  
Serial No.: 10/067,725  
Filing Date: February 4, 2002  
Group Art No.: 2616  
Confirmation No.: 7189  
Examiner: Roberta A. Shand  
Title: Sonet Add/Drop Multiplexer with Packet over Sonet Capability

**Mail Stop: Amendments**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In response to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the Application as follows.